The Story of Two Men Before Dawud (AS)

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Chapter 1: The Pot of Gold and the Test of Integrity

An Unexpected Discovery: Gold Beneath the Earth

According to a narration by Abu Hurairah (RA), the Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) said:

A man once bought a house from another. Upon acquiring the property, the buyer discovered a pot filled with gold buried in the ground.

The Buyer's Integrity:

Buyer:

"Brother! Take this pot with you. I bought the house from you, not the gold."

Mutual Denial: A Dispute of Honesty

The seller, in return, refused the gold as well, asserting that he had sold not only the house but everything within it.

The Seller's Honesty:

Seller:

"I sold you the land and whatever was in it."

Unable to resolve the dispute themselves, they both approached a third party, the Prophet Dawud (AS), and presented the full matter before him.

A Wise Resolution: Marriage and Distribution

Upon hearing the matter, the Prophet Dawud (AS) inquired whether either of the men had any children.

Family Matters:

First Man:

"I have a son."

Second Man:

"I have a daughter."

The Prophet Dawud (AS) instructed them accordingly:

Divine Judgment:

Prophet Dawud (AS):

"Marry the boy to the girl, spend the gold on both of them, and give some of it to charity."